Status of rail projects

2608. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the latest details of the progress made on Dharmavaram-Pakkala; Guntur-Gundakal-Kallur; Gooty new line with lifting of Kaglluru-Dharmavaram; Katpadi-Pakala-Tirupati line gauge conversion projects;

(b) the estimated cost of each project, year of their sanctioning; expenditure made so far and balance of funds required for each of these projects; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED) : (a) to (c) The details of the projects is as under:

(Rs in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Anticipated Cost	Expenditure incurred up-to 31.3.09	Outlay 2009-10	Balance Funds required	Progress
1	Dharmavaram-Pakala (227km)	1997-98	610.09	405.14	100.00	104.95	Pakala-Madanapalle (82km) Completed. Madanapalle-Dharmavaram (144.25km) nearing completion.
2	Guntur-Guntakal &Guntakal- Kulluru (478km) Incl. Pendekallu-Gooty new line with lifting of Kalluru-Dharmavaram (76km)	1992-93	592.49	585.06	4.00	3.43	Completed.
3	Katpadi-Pakala-Tirupati (104km)	1992-93	226.74	213.98	5.00	7.76	Completed.

Doubling of Belapally-Pullampet line

2609. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of progress made so far on doubling of Belapally-Pullampet phase of Gooty-Renigunta line, Gooty-Renigunta patch, Hospet-Guntakal line, Raichur-Guntakal line, Gudur Renigunta, Renigunta-Tirupati line, Guntur-Krishna canal line, Samalkat-Kakinada port; and Raghavpuram-Mandamari patch tripling project; and

(b) by when all these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) The Status of the projects is as under:

Sl.No.	Name of the project	Status and target wherever fixed
1	Balapally- Pullampet (41km)	Completed.
2	Gooty-Renigunta Patch doubling (151 km)	The works has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL). Pullampet-Bhakrapeta has been completed out of which Pullampet-Hastavaram has been commissioned Earthwork, bridges etc. is progress in balance length. Target for completion is 31.3.2011.
3	Hospet-Guntakal (115 km)	Completed.
4	Raichur-Guntakal (81km)	The works has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL), land acquisition, earthwork, bridge works etc. have been taken up. Target for completion is 31.3.2011.
5	Gudur- Renigunta-Triupati (93km)	Completed
6	Guntur-Krishna Canal (27 km)	Completed.
7	Samalkot-Kakinada (15.6 km)	Completed.
8	Raghavpuram-Mandamari (24.47 km)	Tender for earthwork, bridges etc. processed. Work may take about 2 years for completion.

Late arrival of Chandigarh Janshatabdi trains

2610. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that Chandigarh Janshatabdi, despite starting on time from New Delhi, arrives late, sometimes even by one hour, on intervening stations; and

(b) if so, the steps Government proposes to take to ensure that the said train runs on time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) Presently, train No.2057 Chandigarh Janshatabdi Express between New Delhi and Una (Himachal) is running with electric traction from New Delhi to Ambala and, thereafter with diesel engine from Ambala to Una. Due to traction change at Ambala, the train sometimes gets delayed and sometimes arrives Chandigarh late. On completion of the work of electrification of Chandigarh-Morinda chord line, the train will run upto Una with electric engine and the time loss due to change of traction will be saved, thus improving the punctuality of the train.

Approval of sports complex at Howrah

2611. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE:
SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY:
Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: